



ALLEGHENY COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY

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Healthcare associated infections

(Haemophilus influenzae, salmonella, shigella, E.coli O157:H7, shiga toxin, Neisseria, strep pneumonia, listeria, yersinia,

Test Description

The purpose of this procedure is to ensure accurate confirmation of healthcare cultures to the fullest extent of the Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) Public Health Laboratory's capability.

Specimen Collection/Transport conditions

- Isolates
 - Temperature: Ambient (20-25 °C)
 - Specimen Submission: Specimen must be received as soon as possible after collection
 - Container: Sterile agar or slant plate inoculated with the isolate

Laboratory Unit

Bacteriology

Methodology

Culture

Acceptable Specimen Type(s)

Isolates

Test Request

Coming Soon



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Possible Results:

- Present
- Absent

Reference Range

Absent

Rejection Criteria

- Unreadable/missing/insufficient labeling
- Wrong specimen collection kit
- Expired specimen collection kit
- Storage/transportation requirements not met
- Leaking or contaminated specimen transport container
- Quantity not sufficient.
- Specimen too old.
 - Collected it in acceptable kit but did not submit within appropriate time window
- Improperly collected specimen.
- Specimen not inoculated/ no specimen submitted

Result Reported

2-7 days

LOINC Code(s)

69410-9